

Calendar No. 49

105TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION**S. 342**

To extend certain privileges, exemptions, and immunities to Hong Kong
Economic and Trade Offices.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 24, 1997

Mr. THOMAS (for himself, Mr. ROBB, and Mr. HAGEL) introduced the follow-
ing bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign
Relations

MAY 8, 1997

Reported by Mr. HELMS, without amendment

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN PRIVILEGES, EXEMP-**
4 **TIONS, AND IMMUNITIES TO HONG KONG**
5 **ECONOMIC AND TRADE OFFICES.**

6 (a) APPLICATION OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZA-
7 TIONS IMMUNITIES ACT.—The provisions of the Inter-

1 national Organizations Immunities Act (22 U.S.C. 288 et
 2 seq.) may be extended to the Hong Kong Economic and
 3 Trade Offices in the same manner, to the same extent,
 4 and subject to the same conditions as such provisions may
 5 be extended to a public international organization in which
 6 the United States participates pursuant to any treaty or
 7 under the authority of any Act of Congress authorizing
 8 such participation or making an appropriation for such
 9 participation.

10 (b) APPLICATION OF INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT
 11 ON CERTAIN STATE AND LOCAL TAXATION.—The Presi-
 12 dent is authorized to apply the provisions of Article I of
 13 the Agreement on State and Local Taxation of Foreign
 14 Employees of Public International Organizations, done at
 15 Washington on April 21, 1994, to the Hong Kong Eco-
 16 nomic and Trade Offices.

17 (c) DEFINITION.—The term “Hong Kong Economic
 18 and Trade Offices” refers to Hong Kong’s official eco-
 19 nomic and trade missions in the United States.

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